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a comprehensive volume soon to be published, will undoubtedly be of great service to the city, and its influence is already being felt in the consideration of all the more important public undertakings now in contemplation.

#### BLASHFIELD DRAWINGS ACQUIRED.

Seventeen drawings by Edwin Howland Blashfield were purchased by the Art Institute from his exhibition, shown last winter. They are all studies for figures used in mural paintings, decorative in character, and beautiful in execution. It is expected that these drawings will be of special interest to students, showing as they do the stress laid on fine draughtsmanship by mural painters of established reputation, and giving an example, as well, of figure-study for actual use, as distinguished from work for purely academic purposes.

Fine groups of paintings from the private collections of Mr. Cyrus H. McCormick, Mr. Chauncey J. Blair and Mr. Charles L. Hutchinson are on exhibition for the summer in Gallery 31.

#### THE ANNUAL MEETINGS

The Annual Meetings of the Governing Members and of the Trustees of the Art Institute were held June 1 and June 3. The By-Laws have been amended so that three trustees are elected each year for seven years, instead of seven trustees for three years. The following trustees were re-elected :

For seven years, Edward E. Ayer, John C. Black, Charles L. Hutchinson; for six years, John J. Glessner, Clarence Buckingham, Bryan Lathrop; for five years, R. Hall McCormick.

The officers of former years were re-elected, and the Board stands as follows :

#### TRUSTEES OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO 1909-10.

Edward E. Ayer,	John J. Glessner,
Adolphus C. Bartlett,	Frank W. Gunsaulus,
John C. Black,	Chas. L. Hutchinson,
Chauncey J. Blair,	Bryan Lathrop,
Clarence Buckingham,	Frank G. Logan,
Daniel H. Burnham,	R. Hall McCormick,
Edward B. Butler,	John J. Mitchell,
Clyde M. Carr,	Samuel M. Nickerson,
Charles Deering,	Martin A. Ryerson,
Henry H. Getty,	Howard Van D. Shaw,
	Albert A. Sprague.

#### *Ex Officio.*

Fred A. Busse, Mayor.  
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Henry G. Foreman, Pres. South Park Com.  
William Best, Auditor South Park Com.

#### OFFICERS

Charles L. Hutchinson, President.  
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Ernest A. Hamill, Treasurer.  
William A. Angell, Auditor.  
William M. R. French, Director.  
Newton H. Carpenter, Secretary.

The Annual Reports of the Trustees, the Director, the Treasurer and the Librarian, showed continued prosperity and activity.

The gain in memberships, both life and annual, has been remarkable, nearly thirty per cent. The record at present stands :

Honorary members,	10—same as last year
Governing members,	192—a loss of 3
Annual members,	3101—a gain of 773
Life members,	380—a gain of 71
Total,	- 3,683—a gain of 841



STUDY BY EDWIN H. BLASHFIELD,  
Art Institute Collection, 1909.